

MICHAEL COOK

GOLDSMITHS, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

# CAN COMPUTERS BE FEMINISTS?

@MTRC

[WWW.GAMESBYANGELINA.ORG](http://WWW.GAMESBYANGELINA.ORG)



**THEY ALREADY ARE  
(AND THIS SHOULD WORRY US)**



# ANGELINA

## AN AUTOMATED GAME DESIGNER

Cat that  
Press Spacebar To Start

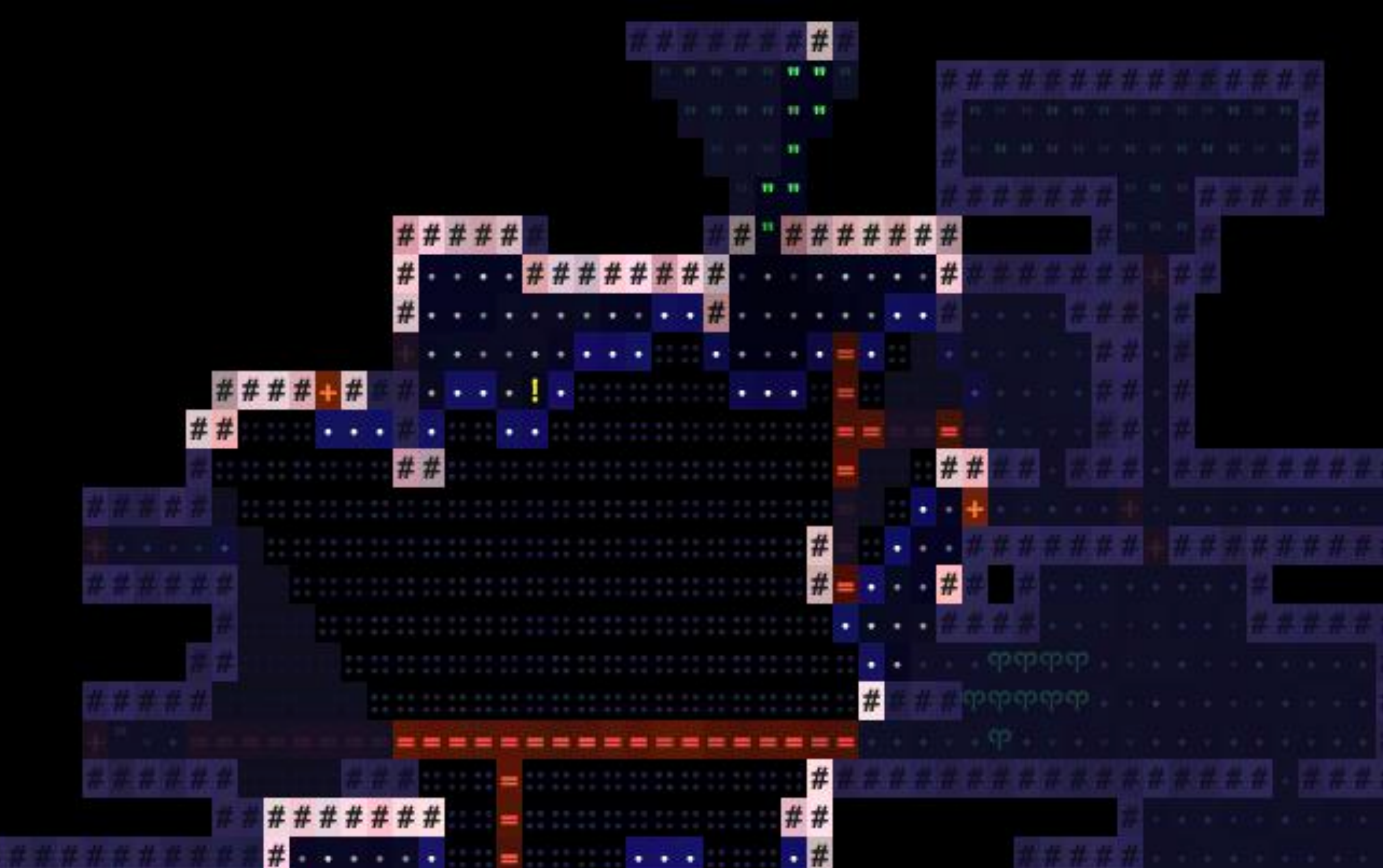






HUMANITY HAS AN UNHEALTHY  
OBSESSION WITH SOFTWARE





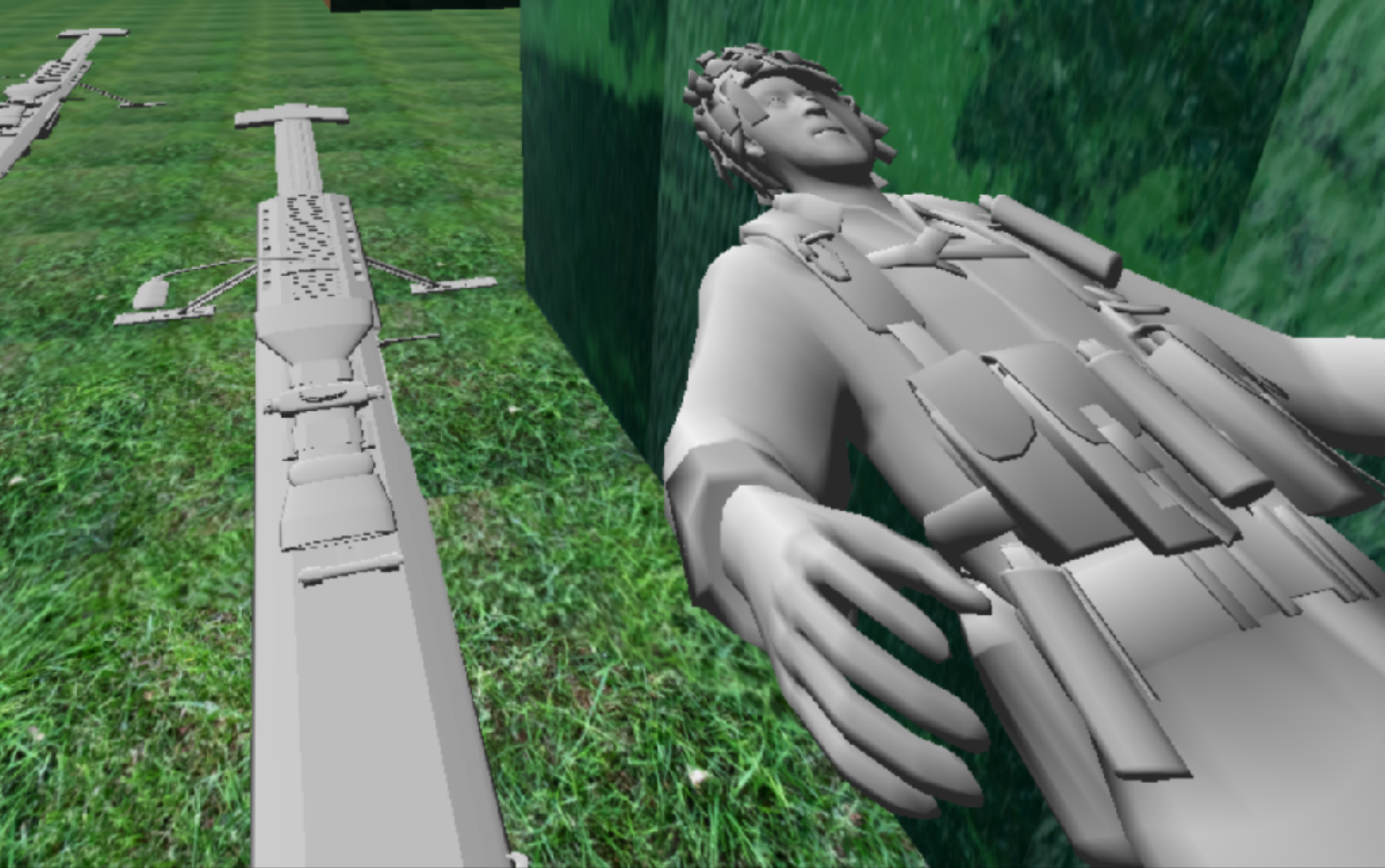
IN MOST CASES, THE SOFTWARE  
DOESN'T EVEN NEED TO BE SMART





IN MOST CASES, THE SOFTWARE  
DOESN'T EVEN NEED TO BE SMART





WHEN WE INVEST OURSELVES IN  
SOFTWARE, IT GAINS POWER OVER US



**The humans heals you.**



**THIS POWER CAN HARM**



The background of the slide is a photograph of the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, taken from a low angle looking across the water. The bridge's iconic orange-red towers and suspension cables are prominent. The sky is a mix of blue and grey, suggesting an overcast day. The water is a deep blue-grey. Overlaid on the right side of the bridge is the 'Grand Theft Auto V' logo. The words 'Grand', 'Theft', and 'Auto' are stacked vertically in a large, white, blocky font with a thick black outline. To the right of 'Auto' is a large, stylized green 'V' with a white outline and a black banner across its middle containing the word 'FIVE' in white capital letters.

# Grand Theft Auto V

GAMES ARE AMPLIFIERS OF IDEAS -  
ACROSS TIME AND SPACE



**BUT!**

**WE CAN USE THIS  
POWER FOR GOOD, TOO!**





WE CAN BUILD SYSTEMS TO  
SPREAD AND AMPLIFY GOOD IDEAS



November 1<sup>st</sup> - November 7<sup>th</sup>

# #PROCJAM 2015

A Procedural Generation Game Jam

Make Something That Makes Something

...BUT A BIG MISSING LINK IS  
ACCESSIBILITY





PEOPLE ARE ALREADY LISTENING.  
OUR SOFTWARE NEEDS HELP TO SPEAK.



# THANKS!

## @MTRC

## GAMESBYANGELINA.ORG

